

Lawmakers overturn voter ID law veto

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Voter photo identification regulations will be on the ballot for Missouri voters in November.

During its override session, the Missouri legislature overrode Gov. Jay Nixon’s veto of Missouri Constitutional Amendment Six, which would require voters to carry photo IDs with them in order to vote.

However, due to the fact that it is a legislatively referred constitutional amendment, the override alone does not make it into law. Missouri voters will have a chance to decide whether or not this amendment will be passed.

Voters will not be required to bring photo identification to the national election in November, but if passed the amendment will go into effect in January.

According to Ballotpedia.com, Missouri would be the 17th state to require photo identification to vote. Proponents of these types of laws have stated they are to stop illegal voters from being able to cast a ballot.

However Northwest Political Science Professor Brian Hesse said this problem is not as bad as it seems.

“There is minimal, tangible evidence of widespread voter fraud,” Hesse said. “Proponents of voter ID laws say the laws are meant to insure the integrity of the electoral system. Theoretically, it could address some of the fraud issues. But those issues are so minimal in documentation that maybe it is the right solution for the wrong problem.”

Representatives in the Missouri legislature and the citizens they represent remain concerned with the credibility of the electoral system.



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Missouri voters could be required to have photo identification in order to be able to vote in the near future.



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Construction on the 137,250 square foot complex is anticipated to begin in July 2017 and be done within a year.

Multipurpose complex to host campus, community activities

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As a continued effort to partner community and campus, Maryville and Northwest Missouri State University will be working together on an estimated \$20 million multipurpose complex project.

The Northwest Multipurpose Complex is planned to be a 137,250 square-foot facility with recreation and exhibition space, an indoor flooring system, 100-yard practice turf, 300-meter indoor competition track, spectator seating and tiered meeting rooms. The facility will be located northwest of College Park Drive and Bearcat Stadium on the Northwest campus. While it will be located on University property, it will be open to anyone in the community who needs it.

Northwest Executive Director of Development & Campaign Coordinator Lonelle Rathje said in an information release this is one of the largest partnerships in the area.

“The complex will serve as a host site for a wide range of University and community activities,” Rathje said. “The project repre-

sents the single largest public-private partnership in Northwest’s 111-year history – and one of the largest public-private partnerships ever in the region.”

According to Rathje, the estimated \$20 million complex will be paid for through multiple financial sources, including the University, private support and community support.

“The city is modeling its involvement after successful community partnerships for similar facilities in Pittsburg, Kansas, and Birmingham, Alabama,” Rathje said.

Pending the approval of a transient guest tax (or “bed tax”) for tourism on hotel lodging, Maryville would be able to make a lease agreement with Northwest to help pay for the common space. According to Rathje, the lease agreement would provide \$150,000 annually for 23 years, a \$3,450,000 investment.

According to Rathje, the Northwest Multipurpose Complex has four goals it will look to accomplish for the campus and community: promoting health and wellness for students, faculty, staff, and the Maryville community, give competitive advantages

to Northwest athletics, improve recruitment, engagement and retention of students and to continue to provide opportunities for University and community partnerships.

“The project will broaden and further strengthen the partnership between the city and University as we continue momentum from projects such as the Fourth Street Improvement Project, Watson 9 and growth of the Mozingo Lake Recreation Park as a regional tourist destination,” Rathje said.

While its accessibility and usability for students will be clear, Rathje said it will be just as much for the community’s use as well.

“Through an Intergovernmental Services Agreement, the city intends to assist with facility funding and securing community use,” Rathje said. “Potential uses include, for example, community fundraisers, exhibitions, tradeshows, group activities, youth and high school athletics, Maryville Parks and Recreation programming, business gatherings, all-weather exercise and special events such as commencements and concerts.”

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Maryville to get gun, pawn shop

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Maryville will soon feature a gun and pawn shop where residents can purchase weaponry and borrow money, all in the same location.

The new location plans to open where the Casey’s General Store on First Street used to sit. After addressing regulations on what could and could not stay on the premises, owner Patrick Miller bought the property.

Miller worked with Northwest Missouri Enterprise Facilitation and North Central Missouri Business Facilitation in preparation to launch his Marville shop.

Miller feels the city has been of great help to him.

“The city has been great to work with. I met with them before we started anything,” Miller said. “Every city is a little different. They told me what we needed to do before we got in trouble. I’ve already met the Chief of Police and a few of his deputies and they’re excited about us opening too.”

Bull’s Eye Trading LLC opened its doors in 2010 at its original Bethany establishment after owning a construction company in Des Moines.

It is the largest in-stock gun dealer in northern Missouri, meaning it has the most guns in-store than any other distributor in northern Missouri.

Miller sees his shop similar to other retail businesses.

“There’s a few more licenses that you have to get and obviously a lot of paperwork for firearms, tracking and just making sure everything is secure, but other than that it is just like any other retail business,” Miller said. “It’s all about customer service and is very customer oriented.

We try to build relationships.”

Bull’s Eye Trading’s newest location stripped the interior of the old Casey’s to suit the needs of a gun and pawn shop. Miller hopes the shop will be up and running close to the end of October.

Northwest Missouri State freshman Terry Woosley said he would buy a gun for its utility purposes and entertainment.

“Sure, I would buy a gun. Guns are tools, just like a wrench or a knife,” Woosley said. “I could use it for self defense or fun.”

Woosley thinks the effects of a gun shop on the community would not be represented by its mere presence, but more from the people themselves.

“I think the only way a gun shop in Maryville is going to affect the community is if the community allows it too,” Woosley said. “A shop of any sort doesn’t do any harm. It is the people’s view that does.”

Junior Leigha Chenoweth remains cautious about the opening.

“Conceal and carry is okay on campuses now, which makes me nervous, but I don’t think a gun shop will exacerbate that,” Chenoweth said. “If people wanted guns, they could easily buy them from Walmart.”

Chenoweth feels like basic self defense is the best option for her at the moment.

“I like the idea of being able to protect myself, but on the other hand, I don’t think I could ever shoot anyone,” Chenoweth said. “I’d rather learn basic self defense or buy a taser.”

Permits are not required to purchase rifles, shotguns and handguns. Registrations of rifles, shotguns and handguns are not required under Missouri law. Ownership licenses are not required.



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Everyday services such as beauty treatments, physical labor, veterinary services and car repair labor services could be taxed if Missouri voters choose to vote no on Amendment Four in November.

Ballot issue creates more taxes if not passed

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When Missourians cast their ballot in November they will be voting on an issue that could cause them to have to pay more for everyday services. Amendment Four to the Constitution of Missouri, if voted against,

would place a tax on everyday services such as rent, health care, haircuts, tattoos, car repairs and other common services. The Missourians for Fair Taxation Coalition backs Amendment Four and encourages people to vote ‘yes’ on the amendment. Scott Charton, Spokesman for

The Missourians for Fair Taxation Coalition, explained the nature of Amendment Four and how it will effect Missourians. “First, you need to understand that we already have a sales tax on goods, something you can hold in your hand, so we are talking here only about services,” Charton said. “In Missouri right now we do not have a broad tax on services. Amendment Four would keep it that way. Think of car repairs. If you got hit with one of those you would be paying for the tax on the parts as well as the tax for the mechanics labor.” According to the Missouri Secretary of State website the ballot will read, “Shall the Missouri Constitution be amended to prohibit a new

state or local sales or use or other similar tax on any service or transaction that was not subject to a sales/ use or similar tax as of Jan. 1, 2015.” “Potential costs to state and local governmental entities are unknown, but could be significant. The proposal’s passage would impact governmental entity’s ability to revise their tax structures. State and local governments expect no savings from this proposal.” The official language of the ballot from the Missouri Secretary of State’s office says, “A ‘yes’ vote will amend the Missouri Constitution to prohibit a new state or local sales or use or other similar tax on any service or transaction.” “A ‘no’ vote will not amend the

Missouri Constitution to prohibit such state or local sales or use or other similar tax.” Charton said Missourians should not have to worry about another tax in their everyday lives. “We believe that Missourians already pay enough taxes now and do not need a new tax on services. We are urging Missourians to vote yes on Amendment Four to protect from tax on services like that,” Charton said. According to Lisa Macali from Nodaway County Economic Development, a public forum will be held to inform the public about who will be on the ballot and to look into the amendments. The forum will be held at the Nodaway County Courthouse Oct. 27, at 7 p.m.



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Maryville Board of Education highlights student success

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Maryville’s Sept. 21 Board of Education meeting focused on showcases from students across the district as well as their integrity. Emma Nolte is a fourth grade student leader who was highly emphasised to the board. She stood up and talked about her daily duties as a student leader in the elementary school, including how her group helped with breakfast, lunch, library and bus duties everyday. Maryville Superintendent Becky Albrecht went on to praise the district’s students, saying the wonderful things she has seen going on around the schools lately. “Our district has really great kids who achieve and excel on the field and in the class,” Albrecht said. “Everyone says ‘kids these days..’ but I think it sells our youth short.” The meeting then focuses on improvements made for the schools and motions to fund such projects. The first motion was to fund an acoustic shell for the new Performing Arts Center (PAC). It was estimated that the high school’s new PAC’s acoustic shell was to be under the projected amount of \$100,000 coming in at only \$91,966. The acoustic shell is to better contain sound to the PAC, as well as enable performers to hear themselves better. The approval vote was unanimous. The second motion, which was also approved, was for the MSBA (Missouri State Broadcast Association) policy revision. After this, Albrecht took time to recognize different things within the student body she noticed and was proud of. The first was the patriotism of her students. She noted how the softball players paused mid-practice to salute the flag during the national anthem being sung at the football game. She also mentioned another team had some members pause to help a man in a wheelchair get the proper accommodations before resuming positions. With all of that in mind, the board has planned a Veterans Day at the new PAC Nov. 11 to honor all our veterans. At the end of the meeting, the heads of the constructions board brought up the construction progress for the district, including pictures and data for the new PAC and FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency) shelter for the high school. It also mentioned the renovations made in the high school weight room, as well as in the elementary school’s cafeteria that were recently finished. Northwest Technical School Director Jeremy Ingraham said continued improvements is integral in the growth of students. “The fact that we are able to offer opportunities for our students through building additions at our elementary and high school, along with yearly program enhancements at our middle and technical schools to continuously offer new learning and growth for our students is phenomenal,” Ingraham said. “When you read about schools ‘failing’ to provide for students nationwide, whether financially or through program offerings, I would challenge anyone to look at the Maryville community and school district and not see the positive effects our students, staff, administrators and patrons have had in collaborating to make this a great place to be educated and to raise children.” The next Maryville Board of Education meeting is set for Oct. 19, 2016.

Maryville High School teacher receives recognition

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A local high school teacher was nominated for the Regional Teacher of the Year award.

Jamie James is a high school math teacher at Maryville High School. James was nominated for the Regional Teacher of the Year award. James is honored to be recognized for his teaching.

“It is all done anonymously, so I don’t get the opportunity to find out who they are and thank them,” James said.

The Missouri Regional Teacher of the Year award is new for the 2016-2017 school year. To be nominated for the award teachers must be a certified full-time educator and actively engaged in the classroom. Times to apply or nominate are Jan. 1 to April 15.

James graduated from Montreat College in North Carolina and received his teaching certificate master’s degree in education with an emphasis in math from Northwest Missouri State

James taught for 14 years at Nodaway-Holt before teaching at Maryville. He has taught math at Maryville for three years.

James teaches freshmen through senior students. He teaches different levels of both algebra and geometry. James’ math students speak highly of him.

“He is overall a good teacher,” says Maryville High School sophomore Natalie Mason. “He includes every student and deserves this nomination.”

Maryville High School junior Caleb Feuerbacher says James’



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Maryville High School math teacher Jamie James was recently nominated for the new Regional Teacher of the Year award for the 2016-2017 school year.

teaching style is inclusive and attempts to make his subjects relevant for his students

“He teaches a different way that makes it more relatable, and explains things well so you understand

them better,” Feuerbacher said.

James says he was surprised with his nomination and that it is shocking someone would consider him for the Regional Teacher award.

“It’s cool someone saw my

helping and teaching students and thought that I deserved this,” James said.

James is a dedicated teacher and is always looking for the opportunity to help the students according to

the Maryville High School Assistant Principal Craig Borey.

“He has a certain passion for education and no matter what is always asking, what can I do for the kids,” Borey said.



STUART ROBINSON

Northwest celebrates faculty with annual Dean’s award

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Northwest honored 15 faculty members with the Dean’s Faculty Award.

During the faculty meeting, Aug. 24, 15 faculty members were honored with awards. The faculty members were honored for teaching, collaboration, research and service that they had done in the past school year.

Those who received the teaching award can go on to win the Governor’s Award. The winner will be announced Monday, Oct. 3, at 4:30 p.m. in the J.W. Jones Student Union Ballroom.

Assistant Professor in the College of Arts and Science Stuart Robinson received a teaching award.

Robinson teaches art classes on campus. Robinson’s Design With Fibers class helped him receive the teaching award.

“I’ve only been here a few years,” Robinson said. “I have been warping the program into what I think is its best form. To receive an award meant I was doing work that was being valued.”

Robinson said a great feature of the art program is teaching the students the full picture of being an artist. The students get the opportunity to take wool and make their own yarn.

“We go to the university farm and help out while they shear sheep, and we clean it, spin and weave our own yarn,” Robinson said.

This helps the students become more aware of their products, which will not always be set up by a teacher, according to Robinson.

Robinson said not only does he feel valued, but he also feels like the award is a reflection of his years at Northwest and those who have helped him.

Assistant Professor in the Booth

College of Business and Professional Studies John Katsion received an award for service along with five other professors.

“It is neat to be recognized by the school for your work, especially for work that was meaningful and helpful to the school,” Katsion said.

Katsion and his colleagues Joy Daggs, Bayo Joachim, Brian Swafford, David Shadinger and Nathan Wilson were asked to create an online master’s degree in strategic communication. They were recognized for their work on the program.

Katsion said receiving this award is a nice recognition from the school and the college.

“It is a bit of a mix of talent and luck that you are noticed amongst the others,” Katsion said.


Katsion feels honored in winning the award and is glad he won it with others instead of being singled out. It was a group effort that they got recognized for.

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OUR VIEW:

Voter photo ID laws threaten democracy

If Missouri residents vote yes for Amendment Six in November, up to 220,000 people could lose their right to vote.

Amendment Six would require all Missouri voters to prove their identity and residency by showing photo ID at the ballots. This is an infringement on voters’ rights and could disenfranchise minorities, the elderly and people who do not drive.

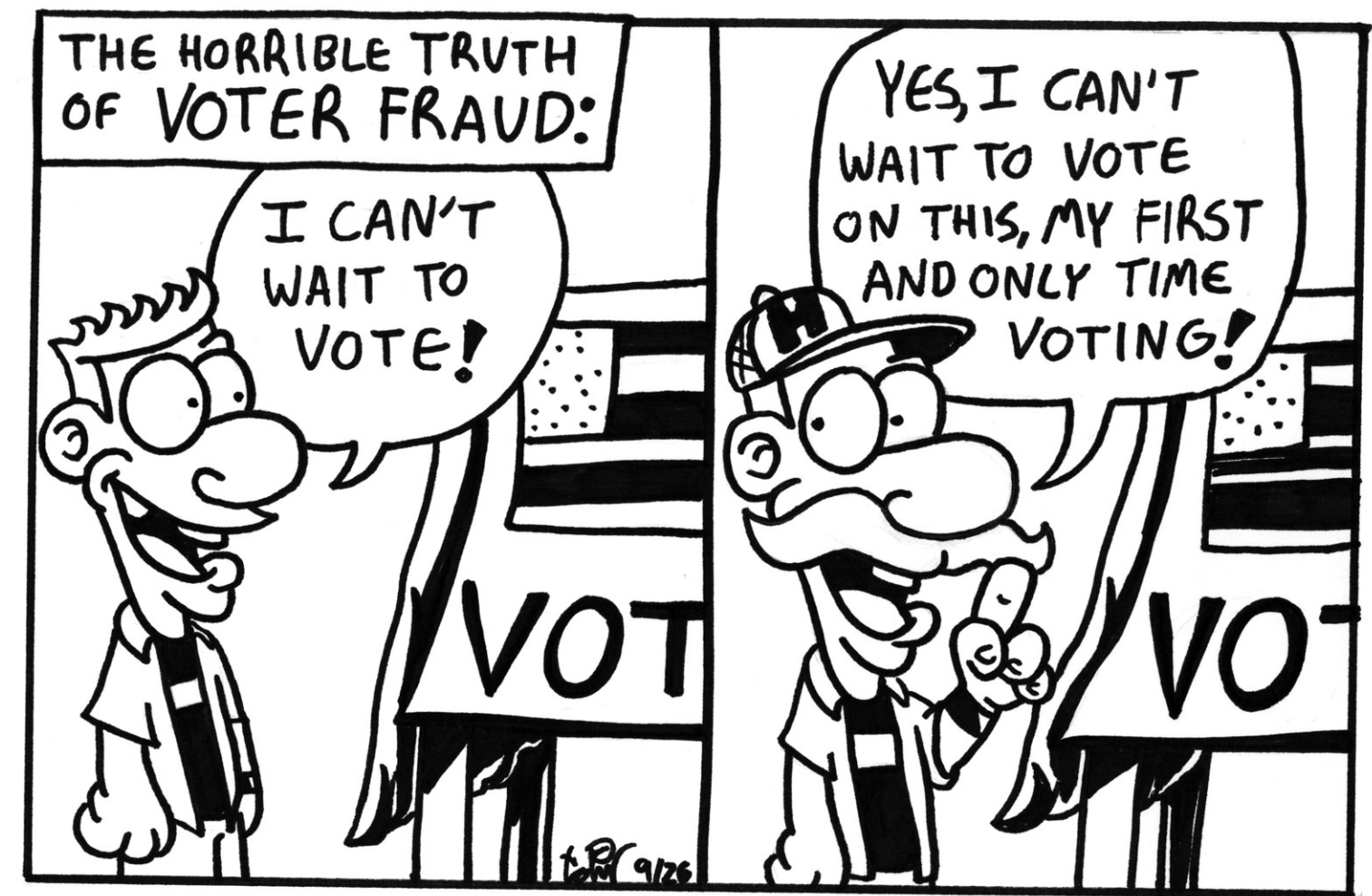
These groups lack identification more than the rest of the population, according to “The Washington Times.” When similar measures were taken in Kansas, these groups had less voter turnout than usual.

Amendment Six is a legislatively referred constitutional amendment, meaning that it will appear on the ballot because Missouri state legislature overrode yet another of Gov. Jay Nixon’s vetoes.

According to ThinkProgress, a political news site, Republicans in Missouri have been trying to pass such legislation for over 10 years. Democrats tried to stop it from happening via filibuster, but came to a compromise with Republicans.

“The compromise requires the state and all fee offices to provide free photo IDs and also any underlying documents necessary to obtain a photo ID, such as birth certificates and Social Security cards. All costs associated with the photo ID compromise will be paid for in the state budget. If the appropriation is insufficient, the photo ID requirement would not be enforced,” according to the Senate.

According to the ballot, Amendment Six will “result in no costs or savings because any potential costs would be due to the enactment of a general law allowed by this proposal. If such a general law is enacted, the potential costs to state and local governments is unknown, but could exceed \$2.1 million annually.” This is an unnecessary cost to our gov-



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ernment and money could be better spent elsewhere.

Common arguments for Amendment Six include citizens voting more than once, being registered and voting in multiple states and fraudulently voting for the deceased. The Brennan Center for Justice looked into voter fraud and stated it is not as big of a problem as some media outlets may lead on.

“Allegations of widespread voter fraud, however, often prove greatly exaggerated. It is easy to grab headlines with a lurid claim (“Tens

of thousands may be voting illegally!”); the follow-up -when any exists- is not usually deemed newsworthy,” The Brennan Center said. “On closer examination, many of the claims of voter fraud amount to a great deal of smoke without much fire. The allegations simply do not pan out.”

According to the National Conference of State Legislatures, Missouri law asks that voters bring a form of non-photo identification such as a bank statement, utility bill or pay stub that includes voter name

and address. There are 17 states that do not require any form of ID, so this amendment is unnecessary for Missouri. If these states do without required photo ID, Missouri can too.

“Incidents of in-person voter fraud are virtually non-existent. While I don’t like this bill or any voter ID bill, the Republican supermajority made this legislation as palatable as possible,” said Senate Assistant Minority Floor Leader Gina Walsh.

According to Dictionary.com, the definition of palatable is “ac-

ceptable or satisfactory.” As Missouri residents, we need to fight for legislation that is more than just acceptable or satisfactory.

“In the end, I care too deeply about voting rights to allow a bill to pass this chamber that would deny anyone’s right to vote,” Senate Minority Leader Joe Keaveny said.

As Missouri residents, we need to continue the fight against this unnecessary legislation. This November, vote against Amendment Six and let all Missouri residents keep their constitutional right to vote.

Clinton, Trump prove contrasts face to face



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History was made as a woman and a non-career politician took the stage for the first presidential debate of 2016. The event had super bowl-like expectations. After the first fifteen minutes of watching the debate, I found myself reaching for a bottle of wine.

“Hillary Clinton will not be manterrupted” was the title of an op-ed piece in the New York Times the morning after the debate.

The title expresses my frustration at the beginning of the spectacle. Secretary Clinton found herself in the defensive

position, not only of her policies, but of her two minutes mandated speech time as well.

After the first half hour or so the interruptions subsided and the debate commenced. Mr. Trump was expected to act in his usual larger than life manner. He did not disappoint. The crowd could be heard cheering in the background as he made his points, despite what the moderator, Lester Holt, had encouraged.

This was not the only test of Holt’s patience. After Trump had praised the results of the Stop and Frisk policy in New York, Holt interjected to point out Stop and Frisk had been ruled unconstitutional in New York.

Stop and frisk allowed police officers to stop and search anyone they suspected of crimi-

nal activity. This led to searching and incriminating people of color based on stereotypes out of their control.

The ruling of the federal justice system was not enough to change Trump’s opinion on the matter. Trump informed Holt he was wrong.

The day after the debate Fox news, along with other media outlets, accused the moderator’s questions to be bias towards Hillary.

“When she releases her 33,000 e-mails that have been deleted, as soon as she releases her 33,000 e-mails, I will release my tax returns,” Trump said.

Proving that where the questions failed to hold Clinton accountable for her mistakes, Trump was more than willing to. Trump has been notably secretive about his tax returns.

He refuses to release them, although it is a long-running standard of presidential candidates. When Clinton addressed this issue, she gave examples of what he may be hiding. One of her examples was that he was not paying federal income taxes, to which Trump replied he was “smart” for not doing so.

When Holt brought up the fact Trump said he didn’t believe Clinton had “the look” of a president, Trump diverted to another topic.

Trump has been scrutinized for his sexist rhetoric throughout the 2016 campaign. His defense of his sexist remarks on the debate stage made it clear chauvinist ideals are still accepted in a country with a woman on the presidential ballot.

Clinton seemed to have known she won the debate after

Trump went on a rant about his temperament being acceptable for a president. CNN commentators shared her sentiment, handing her the win of the first presidential debate.

However, the results of the debate’s outcome varied. There were many online polls through news sites, such as Time and CNBC, indicating Trump had made the biggest impact on voters. #TrumpWon became a trending topic on Twitter.

After the debate’s conclusion the Clinton family stayed to shake hands with the crowd, while Trump and his family seemed to flee the stage like they had lost the game. Unlike the Super bowl, the candidates will get the chance to make their cases again Oct. 9 and win the vote of the American people.

America loses as neither candidate wins first debate



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So unless you’ve been living under a rock for the past few days, everyone knows that the first Presidential debate was Monday with Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump going head to head.

Over 84 million viewers tuned into Monday’s debate making it the most watched debate in history. Many outlets report Trump won or Hillary won however who lost is America. It’s pretty sad that this is the first election I’m eligible to vote in and I have to choose between a crooked politician who can’t handle her emails and a wealthy businessman who’s filed for bankruptcy seven times with bad hair. Pretty much we are dealing with a bomb

and you have the option of choosing the red or blue wire but the bomb is still going to explode for the next four years.

Anyway, I saw this debate as good comedy for a Monday night. At one point I was waiting for the two to start mocking each other like little kids on the playground. My highlight was when Hillary asked for Trump’s tax returns he fired back, “I’ll release my taxes when you find those 30,000 emails.” Despite

the humor, the debate went over some very important issues that our country is facing. The economy and trade was where Hillary really struggled talking about the NAFTA trade deal Bill signed while in office.

Trump may not be accurate on trade but he used Clinton’s weakness to an advantage the first part of the debate. Clinton then brought up Trump’s history of using derogatory terms against women, especially his feud with Rosie O’Donnell.

Throughout the rest of the debate the two constantly kept going back and forth. Honestly, they both performed very poorly as that for 90 minutes they didn’t even talk over major topics like health care, Supreme Court nominations, immigration, student loans or the plethora of other problems facing our country. Hopefully for the next debate the two can grow up and talk about their course of action because November will be here before we know it.

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The \$20 million Northwest Multipurpose Complex will host a plethora of events for campus and community members to take part in.

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VOTER

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“This is about protecting the sanctity of the vote,” said Rep. Rick Brattin, a Harrisonville Republican, in an interview with the Kansas City Star.

This worry that it is too easy to lie while voting is shared by Northwest Missouri State Univer-

sity Senior Angela Luna.

“You should absolutely have to show a photo ID in order to vote,” Luna said. “I still get carded at movie theaters to go see an R rated movie but when I show up to the polls all I have to do is show a piece of mail with my name and address. We don’t need a voter ID but you should have to show a photo ID example: driver’s license to pick someone to run our country. It takes less than an

hour to go to a DMV and get a state ID with your social security card and birth certificate.”

Those opposed to these laws not only address the lack of a problem as one of the reasons to be against these laws, but also the effect that it will have on disadvantaged voters.

Hesse said a large number of the voters that would be unable to obtain photo identification would be minorities, poor people and youth.

Hesse argues protecting these voters rights is more important than stopping a problem with little documentation.

“If such laws have been shown to disproportionately affect minorities, poor people and young people, a person has to ask what the purpose behind the laws are now,” Hesse said. “There has been little tangible evidence that this problem exists but there is documentation that these laws disproportionately affect minorities, poor people and young people.”

Hesse said one reason for these laws could be based in partisan agendas as those most affected by these laws typically vote for the Democrat party.

“Given the partisan environment, the evidence seems to indicate it is usually done for partisan gain rather than addressing an actual problem,” Hesse said. “Making it easier to vote tends to benefit Democrats while making it harder to vote tends to benefit Republicans.”

COMPLEX

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Construction on the Northwest Multipurpose Complex is still a bit away as it is still in the planning stages, however according to Rathje it could be finished as early as summer 2018.

“An architect and engineer study (A and E) is being conducted between now and December 2016 – a schematic design has already been completed,” Rathje said. “Construction could begin in July of 2017 and should take approximately less than one year.”

Northwest recently opened the Robert and Virginia Foster Fitness Center for student use to promote physical wellness and the announcement of the Northwest Multipurpose Complex provides students with another avenue to exercise.

Sophomore Terry Simmons said he welcomes the continued increase in options.

“I don’t think a university can ever be too committed to increasing physical fitness,” Simmons said. “Plus this sounds like it’s going to have a few different options than Foster.”

Maryville’s decision on the bed tax Nov. 5 will have a direct impact on the city’s contributions to the development of the complex. More information on the tax, as well as voter registration, will be available in the next edition of the Missourian.

Hesse said this issue is a topic he brings up regularly with his political science classes.

He asks them to look at it politically and philosophically, asking whether they would rather be in a state that puts effort into allowing all would-be voters to vote while restricting illegal voters or a state putting in effort to stop illegal voters while taking away opportunities from some would-be voters.

Regardless of the stance one may have on the issue, Hesse requests everyone research the issue and vote on it.

“It gets at the heart of how you want lawmakers to behave on behalf of the people,” Hesse said. “It also gives you a chance to be take part in what they are actually doing. It gets at the heart of being a good, educated and informed citizen. You should ask why we need this law and why it is being pushed now before taking it at face value, assuming we need it and voting yes for it.”

Blotters for the week of Sept. 29

Maryville Department of Public Safety

Sept. 16

A summons was issued to **Josey K. Forney**, 19, for driving while intoxicated, minor in possession and failure to maintain right half of roadway at the 600 block of South Main.

There is an ongoing investigation for property damage at the 500 block of South Vine.

Sept. 17

A summons was issued to **Erin E. Sorensen**, 19, for minor in possession and failure to maintain right half of roadway at the 200 block of West Cooper.

Sept. 18

Three summons were issued to **Devon A. Hensley**, 18, **Gower, Caleb C. Burns**, 19, St. Joseph, and **Dakotah M. Keller**, 19, St. Joseph, for minor in possession at the 200 block of West Sev-

enth Street.

A summons was issued to **Edward D. Braman**, 18, St. Joseph, for minor in possession and open container of alcohol in a motor vehicle at the 200 block of West Seventh Street.

A summons was issued to **Aubrey M. Vandermolen**, 20, St. Joseph, for providing false information to a public safety officer, escape from custody, minor in possession and failure to comply at the 200 block of West Seventh Street.

Sept. 21

Two summonses were issued to **Brianna E. Swehla**, 18, and **Anna M. Goeman**, 18, for minor in possession at the 1000 block of North Buchanan.

A summons was issued to **Candace B. Fannon**, 20, for indecent exposure in the 200 block of West Fourth Street.

A summons was issued to **Madelline P. McCulley**, 19, for minor in possession at the 300 block of

North Market.

A summons was issued to **Holly M. Hatfield**, 18, for minor in possession at the 1000 block of North Buchanan.

Sept. 22

A summons was issued to **Johnathan L.M. Jarrett**, 19, for minor in possession at the 300 block of North Market.

Sept. 24

A summons was issued to **Carlos J. Pittman II.**, 18, for minor in possession at the 800 block of North Mulberry.

There is an ongoing investigation for assault at the 800 block of North Mulberry.

Sept. 25

A summons was issued to **Nicholas G. Miller**, 20, St. Joseph for minor in possession.

A summons was issued for a liquor law violation at Hudson Hall.

Sept. 25

A summons was issued for a liquor law violation at Perrin Hall.

A summons was issued for a liquor law violation at Dieterich Hall.

Northwest Missouri State University Police Department

Sept. 21

A summons was issued for a liquor law violation at Hudson Hall.

Sept. 23

A summons was issued to **James Mcentee**, 18, Council Bluffs, Iowa for possession of marijuana at College Park Drive.

A summons was issued for a liquor law violation at the Soccer Field.

Sept. 24

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Weird News:



SOURCE: HUFFINGTONPOST.COM

While Mozart and Beethoven may be dead, the music industry can be saved with the help of Patrick, the piano playing chicken. Yes, a video of Patrick went viral this week of him playing a sonata from the French composer, Igor. Watch out world, this chicken is turning heads.

A South Memphis resident was a little more than surprised when she came home after a weekend away to find her place had been ransacked and her possessions were missing. The search for the burglars didn’t last long, however, because Jamie Barnes found the guilty parties having sex on her couch. One of the suspects, Tonka Barnes, tried to use one of Jamie Barnes’ dresses to cover herself before trying to flee. Tonka is still in custody, but the unidentified man is still at large.



SOURCE: IBITIMES.COM.AU

No one likes people who take an excessive amount of selfies, and apparently, neither do large reptiles. A man in Rajasthan, India was attacked by a python while trying to take a selfie. The python knocked the man’s smart phone off of his hand and took a bite of the man. This python was not venomous, but forest officials have declared a “no selfie” rule.

A retriever dog named Mia reportedly stabbed her owner with a pairing knife in Hudson, Colorado. Mia had taken the knife from the kitchen counter and began to approach her owner, Celinda Haynes. Haynes claimed she offered Mia a treat to drop the knife, but the plan went awry when Mia ran in excitement and stabbed her owner.

Paranormal Inactivity



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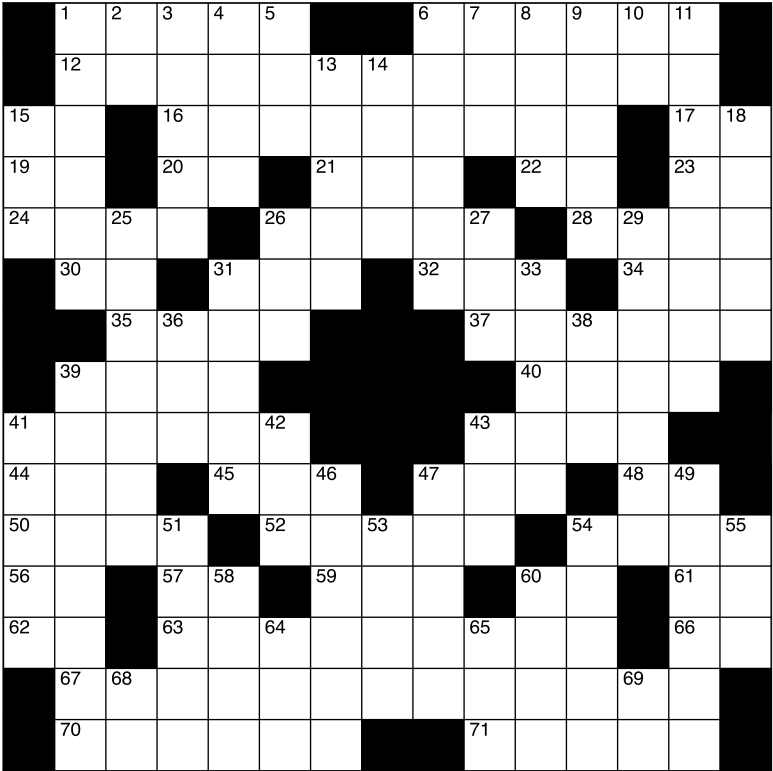
Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle
Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Lewis

Clues Across

- 1. __ blache: Freedom
- 6. Plan
- 12. A jolt
- 15. “Doonesbury” character
- 16. Inspiring with love
- 17. Blood type
- 19. Anno Domini
- 20. Janet Reno held this post
- 21. Arab Republic of Egypt
- 22. Midway between south and east
- 23. Sodium
- 24. Twitches
- 26. Not loud
- 28. Hindmost
- 30. Be quiet!
- 31. This gives you money
- 32. Check
- 34. Short-term memory
- 35. Askew
- 37. Platforms
- 39. Towards the mouth
- 40. Copied
- 41. Emerges
- 43. Menial laborer
- 44. Chinese sword
- 45. Energy unit
- 47. Unhappy
- 48. The Golden State (abbr.)
- 50. External
- 52. Strayed
- 54. Liquid body substances
- 56. Plutonium
- 57. Truckers use this
- 59. Largest English dictionary (abbr.)
- 60. Beloved British princess Lady __
- 61. The Bay State (abbr.)
- 62. Thallium
- 63. Rebuilt
- 66. Element
- 67. The law of retaliation
- 70. Cuts
- 71. Mexican monetary units

Clues Down

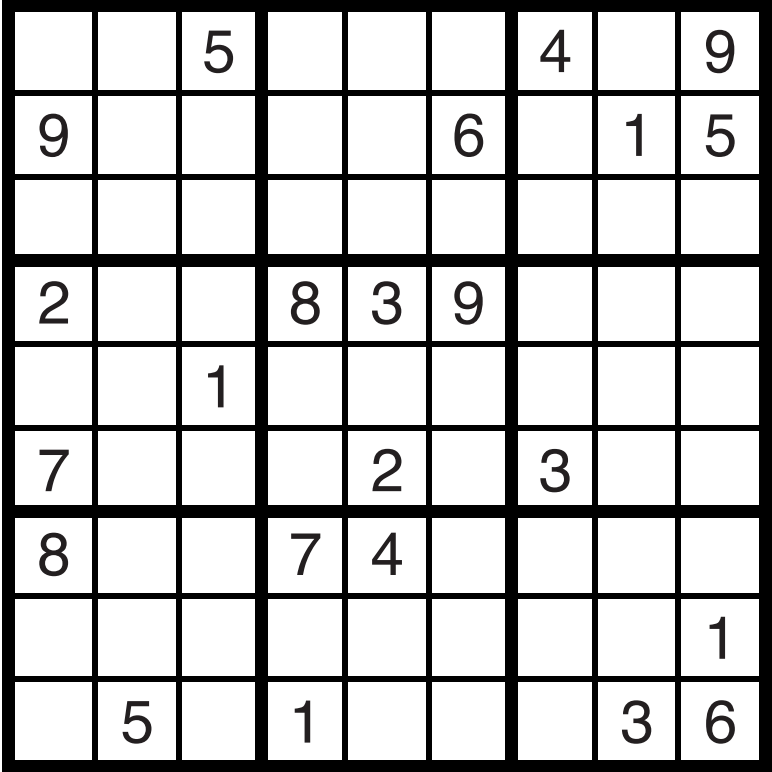
- 1. Mothlike insect
- 2. Equally



- 3. Flightless birds
- 4. Grilling tool
- 5. When you plan to arrive
- 6. Thoroughfare
- 7. Philosophical life force
- 8. Birds
- 9. Anxious
- 10. Man’s title
- 11. Issued
- 13. Prayer leader
- 14. Edible red algae
- 15. Hitters need this
- 18. Froths on fermenting liquors
- 25. A two-wheeled horse-drawn vehicle
- 26. Amount (abbr.)
- 27. Small amount
- 29. Fundamental quality
- 31. Cubage unit
- 33. Bleated
- 36. No longer is
- 38. Initial public offering
- 39. Hard to interpret
- 41. Highly skilled
- 42. The woman
- 43. A bachelor has one
- 46. Trial prints
- 47. Passover feast
- 49. Military forces
- 51. Plant part
- 53. Remake
- 54. Flanks
- 55. Swiss river
- 58. Ottoman governors
- 60. Vale
- 64. Encountered
- 65. One track circuit
- 68. Opposite of yes
- 69. Hello (slang)

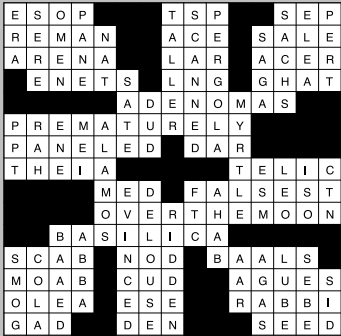
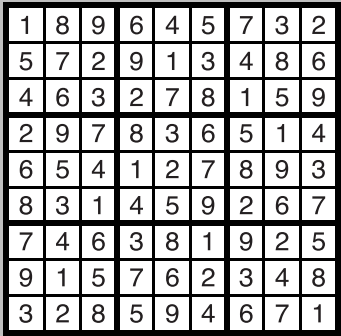
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SOLUTIONS





Students who attend Alternative Spring Break are given the opportunity to work with the homeless. Here they are pictured repacking food to go out to people in need. Students learn there are a variety of reasons a person might be in need of help.

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Alternative Spring Break

Students giving back and having fun

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As Maryville transitions into fall, it is difficult to not dread winter coming. The allure of spring break, sunshine and palm trees is overwhelming during the months filled with snow and ice.

The standard spring break is, for one reason or another, a break many students might not remember. The parties were fantastic, or at least you think so.

Assistant Director of Student Involvement Amy Nally invites students to take part in a spring break they will likely never forget.

Alternative Spring Break is an opportunity for students to travel somewhere for a week and give back to the community. The work might be hard, but Nally promises it is worth it.

It began in 2003, but Nally took over the leadership position in 2005.

"It was a part-time position when I started and it was called Volunteer Services," Nally said. "(The University) was trying to not only get students involved in the community within Maryville, but also provide them with another opportunity other than the standard spring break."

The program started relatively small; students traveled to Florida and mentored young children with the Boys and Girls Club.

"We felt, if the program enticed students to help other people, we wanted to be able to take them somewhere warm in exchange," Nally said.

When Nally took over the position, the group had just returned from Gulf Shores, Mississippi, where it worked on a restoration

project after some major flooding. Nally took the position in December, leaving her only until March to plan a trip.

Nally took students back to Miami, Florida, to work with Habitat for Humanity. All in all, Nally has gone on nine trips. She had to stay behind in 2014 because of a broken ankle.

Since the Miami trip, students have traveled to Kissimmee and Orlando, Florida, New Orleans, the Dominican Republic, South Carolina, New York City, San Francisco, Puerto Rico and Washington, D.C.

When planning trips, Nally receives help from other Universities across the nation.

"We rely on those partnerships and word of mouth to really decide where we want to go and what we want to do there," Nally said. "When we went to New Orleans a few years ago, we weren't the only college there I can look at any school across the nation and see what it does."

Larger schools, such as the University of Missouri, take roughly six trips a year. While Northwest does not have that financial capability, two trips were available for students in 2015.

One group went to Puerto Rico with the Boys and Girls Club and the other went to New Orleans to work on more damage from Hurricane Katrina.

Most commonly, students work with Boys and Girls Club and the Homeless and Hungry. With Homeless and Hungry, students work to raise public awareness about homelessness and provide food and services for those who are homeless.

Each trip averages around 25-30 students in attendance. For the up-

coming trip to Baton Rouge, Louisiana, there are 39 students signed up.

This year's trip is expected to cost students somewhere between \$550-\$600. Although the numbers seem high, Nally promises it can all be fundraised in the months leading up to the trip.

"On years we fly, have hotel fees, subways passes and have to find our own meals, it can get more expensive," Nally said.

Nally's passion for helping others began when she interned for the Special Olympics in California. Since then, she has been striving to change people's lives.

"When this position opened up on campus, I jumped at it," Nally said. "I am a physical work person."

When we went to the Gulf Shores Restoration, we took fossilized oysters and we rebuilt oyster beds in the bay... For the students to see how one catastrophic thing can affect so many things in the environment, not only just humans, but also animals like mice, snakes and bugs, it ruins everything. Seeing a habitat rebuild and get better is just so inspiring and satisfying. I love to bring life back again."

The average work day starts around 8 a.m. after students have eaten breakfast and traveled to their worksite. They work until 4 p.m., with a lunch break in between. Then students hit the showers, have dinner and enter into a time of reflection with their group. Each has a chance to share what was most impactful in his or her day.

Evenings are reserved for activities surrounding the culture. The fifth day of the trip is dedicated to entertainment and diving into the surrounding culture.

Shea Zion is a junior majoring in Interactive Digital Media and Computer Science, with a minor in Spanish. She has been going on Alternative Spring Breaks since her freshman year.

"My freshman year we went to New Orleans and worked with repairing homes and remodeling a community garden. Sophomore year we went to D.C. and worked with homeless shelters and soup kitchens," Zion said. "My favorite memory so far has been giving back to others and seeing what a significant impact we have to the people of the communities we serve."

Zion said Alternative Spring Break gave her the chance to travel and experience cultures she might not have before.

Senior Psychology and Sociology major Sarah Newton tells students not to worry about the cost. The fundraising done throughout the year nearly paid for her entire trip.

Newton went to Washington, D.C. this past spring.

"My favorite memory of the trip was when we made the service meal at Youth Services Opportunities Project's main location," Newton said. "We partnered with a middle school... and worked together to create a meal, make decorations and set up a dinner party for people experiencing homelessness. The best part was that we got to eat the meal with them and play games, too. I met some really interesting people and it was awesome to hear their stories."

Although Newton cannot go on the Louisiana trip because she is graduating in December, she really encourages all Bearcats to try it out.

"Giving back to others is the best way to find yourself," Newton

said. "Not only did I learn so much from my Alternative Spring Break experience, but I also created some really great new friendships, too."

Junior Elementary Education major Bailey Schomburg also remembers the dinner students set up in Washington, D.C. She found herself using skills she had obtained in her Deaf Studies minor.

"I was sitting with some people who were deaf and I was with another student on the trip with who was in Sign Three. At the time I was in Sign One, and I wasn't very confident with my signing. I watched the other student sign back and forth with one of the deaf men there," Schomburg said. "It was very interesting to follow the conversation and, at the end of the night, I was given my sign name. As someone who is hearing, getting a sign name is like being accepted into the deaf community and it made that night amazing."

It is not too late to sign up for the Baton Rouge trip. The deadline to sign up is Oct. 2 and applications are due Oct. 31.

Nally promises the experience will be worth it.

"It is life changing. People don't believe me when I say that, but these students are not the same when they come back. I have seen so many students change. I have seen them change their majors; I have seen them passionate about things they weren't before," Nally said. "They have experiences with issues they didn't even know existed. They realized with the Homeless and Hungry that they are people just like we are and bad things have happened... Everyone you talk to has their reasons."



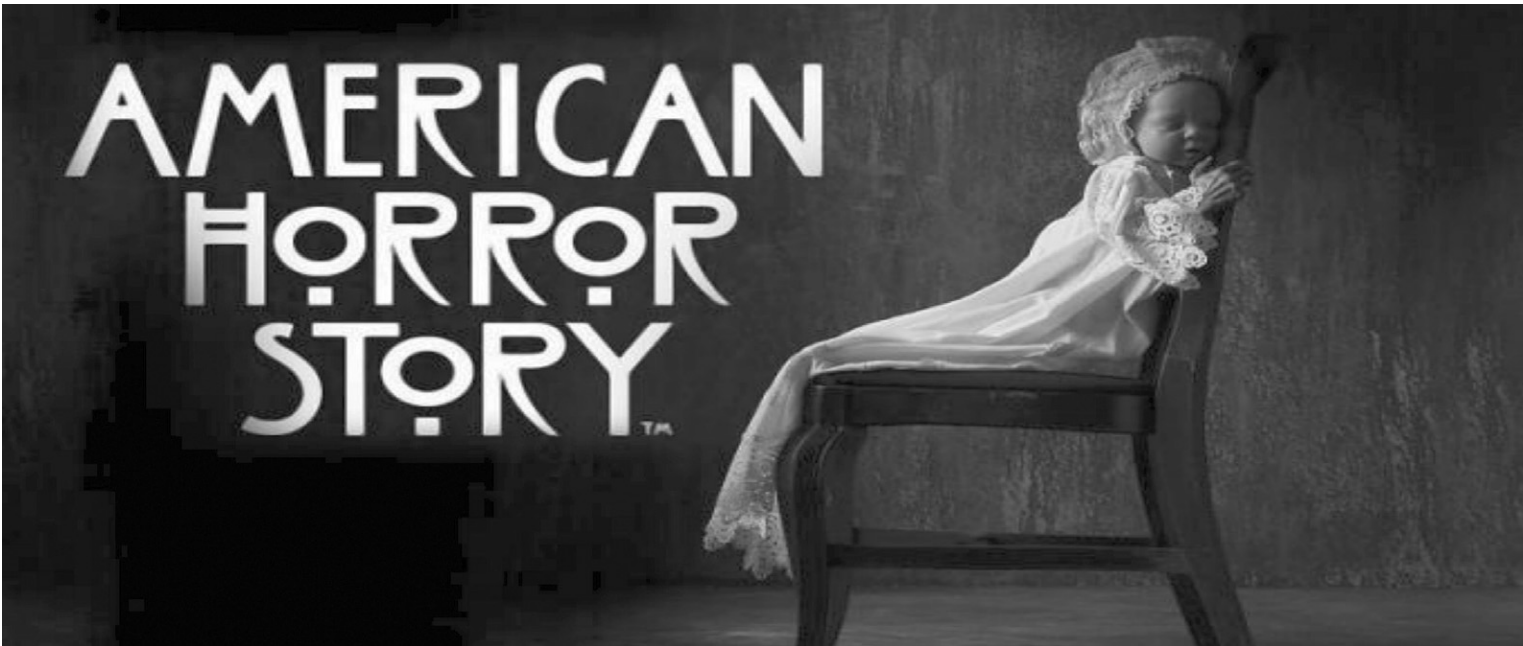
Participants frequently work in food banks that collect, repack and distribute food to their city.

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Students worked with Youth Services Opportunities Project to prepare a meal for those in need. They are pictured here preparing the meal. They later ate with those who came and played games with the children. This was many of the participants favorite part of the trip.

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This season, “Roanoke,” is suspected to center around the real-life lost city. There are conspiracies suggesting this season will be the one to bring them together.

‘American Horror Story’ captivates viewers yet again

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We lived in the Murder House, escaped the Asylum, protected the Coven, attended the Freak Show and checked into the Hotel. With a new season of “American Horror Story,” things are about to get darker and push the limits of national TV even more.

“American Horror Story” first aired Oct. 5, 2011. It was created by Ryan Murphy of “Glee” and Brad Falchuk. These creators have pushed the limits of what has become acceptable to broadcast to the general public.

Parents Television Council classifies the show as “the most vile and shocking content that’s ever been on the small screen.”

This may be the reason so many Americans are addicted to the syfy thriller. “Murder House” opened our eyes to just what we had been missing in our lives.

Senior Paige Brotherton is one of the many with their attention captured by the series.

“I have watched the show from the very beginning,” Brotherton said. “It keeps me thinking and I just love that I never really know what will happen next on the show.”

Let’s recap all the seasons for a little reminder, shall we?

“Murder House” focused its sights on a struggling family of three who move into a new house in Los Angeles. Each family member soon learns the house’s demonic secrets, as well as the violent and selfish spirits within its walls.

“Asylum” follows the patients, doctors and nuns who occupy Briarcliff Mental Institution in Massachusetts in 1964 as they treat and house the mentally ill and criminally insane.

“Coven” takes place in New Orleans in 2013 and follows a coven of Salem witches

fighting for survival. It also features flashbacks to the 1830s, 1910s and 1970s.

“Freak Show” is set in Jupiter, Florida in 1952, and follows the lives of a carnival troupe belonging to one of the last remaining freak shows of its time. Characters fight for survival through killer clowns and scheming businessmen.

“Hotel” is set in the downtown Los Angeles Hotel Cortez, which was recently purchased by a New York fashion designer. The 90-year-old hotel is haunted by demons and mysterious ghosts including the founder James Patrick March, heroin junkie Sally and the strap-on-wielding Addiction Demon.

Not much has been revealed of this season, “Roanoke.” Speculation is it will have to do with the lost colony, but only time will tell.

With its cult following, many suspect that there is at least one linking factor through all of the seasons. Senior Emma Kloepper is one

that has a love for all things American Horror Story.

“I love American Horror Story. I have watched every season. I am so into it I even try to connect each season,” she said. “I get super nerdy about it and even get online to do research on how each correlates to the others(seasons).”

These conspiracies range from certain character presences through all six seasons to the use of famous and historical serial killers. In fact, there are 24 true-life events that have been portrayed throughout the six seasons.

American Horror Story has been keeping both the young and the old entertained by pushing boundaries. We fear the bump in the night after watching, and for good reason. I do not think this spectacular form of American entertainment will be at an end soon. At least, I hope not.

Girls in Red Buicks and Open Relationships

a short story by Rachel Lewis

The girl smoking pot in the red Buick rolls down her window and tells me to get in. I know her enough to know her name and to know her eyes are brown. She watches me, smiling, as I slide in and shut the door. The seats are vinyl and it’s November.

“Why aren’t you inside with everyone else?”

“My girlfriend left early, so I’m not really feeling it anymore,” I say.

“Where did she go?”

“I don’t know. She left with the other girl she’s seeing.”

“... F***. I’m sorry.”

Her eyes are dark and glassy and I can still taste whiskey on my lips. It’s quiet and we are both staring across the dash while headlights from the street flash across our faces every so often. I turn to reach out and touch her hair, with everything around me spinning. It’s long and soft. I want to tell her it’s pretty, but I don’t. She grabs my hand in hers and holds it. She looks sad, but still holds on and we just sit like that. I wonder if I’m feeling the smell in the car permeating my clothes or if I’m just cold. I finally decide there is no way of knowing.

The Proprietor

a short story by Korbin Jones

Mother is at it again. I came home to find that she’d rearranged the furniture. I swear, she has absolutely no respect for feng shui. Explaining it to her was obviously useless. She clearly wants to have things as they were when she owned the place. Exasperated, I head downstairs into the basement to put her in her place. I smell her before I see her, naturally—an irksome effect of the situation. She hasn’t changed much since I last saw her. Maybe a little more bloated if I really feel like being

scrupulous. I grab the salt off of the shelf and begin to pour, walking a full circle around her, going slow. It needs to be thick. Next come the candles, of course, since the old ones have burned to the ground. I light them all one by one—east, south, west, north. I messed up the order once and that was just a mess. Content with Mother’s binding circle, I turn off the lights and head back upstairs to put the furniture in its prior arrangement. All things have their proper place.

Alumni travel with faculty all across the world

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“Once a Bearcat always a Bearcat” is the motto incoming Bearcats learn during advantage weekend. No matter when you graduated or how old you are, you are always a Bearcat.

The Alumni House is doing something unique to help keep alumni associated with Northwest. Since the early 1990s, it has been planning trips with alumni and friends of Northwest to travel all over the United States and the world.

Alumni have traveled to places such as New York and London. Their next trip will be June 18-25

to the Pacific Northwest and California. Director of Alumni Relations and Annual Gifts, Bob Machovsky said many people come forward with trip ideas, and those are taken into account. Based on the most popular trip ideas, Machovsky gets into contact with Collette Gateway to figure out prices and fares for alumni.

“People want to travel with people that they have something in common with, even if they don’t know them on a personal level,” Machovsky said.

Their previous trip to London was Sept. 7-13, 2016. Eight travelers visited Big Ben, London Eye and Shakespeare’s Globe Theatre. The

hosts of the trip were Michael Steiner, Ph.D, and Lori Steiner.

Machovsky said they ask different faculty members to host so alumni always has someone to keep them connected to the university.

“They will never feel alone on the trip that they take,” Machovsky said.

The trip is a different way to connect than football games or monetary gifts.

Some activities planned for the Pacific Northwest trip include visiting Mount St. Helens, Pier 39 and the Golden Gate Bridge. The advisors for the most recent trip will be Mike and Kenna Johnson. They have enjoyed a few of the different

trips.

Mike Johnson said he has been on trips that have lasted only seven days to a trip lasting twenty-four days. Although shorter trips are more popular and more sought after than a twenty-four day trip. Mike has enjoyed his time traveling with different alumni groups.

“Getting to know people and getting to know the different things about yourself during the travel time” Mike Johnson said when talking about all the trips he has attended.

He enjoys getting to travel and know the alumni in a different setting.

Kenna Johnson enjoys traveling

with the group of as well. She thinks they see a lot of different age groups but the biggest one they interactive with is recently retired community.

“Everyone has such different interest and you are all tied together because we are all bearcats and I think that is just wonderful.” Kenna Johnson said.

The cost of the trips depend on the time traveling and how much is provided to the traveler. They can range anywhere from 5,000 to 15,000.

The number of participants also depends on the time of year. They try not to take on to large of groups just because they like to keep things more personal for the alumni.

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'Audrie & Daisy' sheds light on corruption

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Too often do college students seem to share a somewhat dismissive attitude when it comes to the topic of sexual assault and rape.

Even worse, victims of sexual assault are often hit with backlash as if it were their intention to stir up drama.

The Bonni Cohen and Jon Shenk directed documentary "Audrie and Daisy" explores these ideas through the lives of two victims of sexual assault, Daisy Coleman and Audrie Pott.

Cohen and Shenk offer a new perspective on a twisted world that has maybe become too focused on the negative, leaving only the viewer to judge.

The documentary begins describing the early childhood of Pott, a Saratoga, California, high school teenager who committed suicide as the result of a week of torture from other students after she was assaulted at her first party.

Pott's story is told for about one third of the duration of the film, starting things off in a very bleak setting.

Coleman, a Maryville high school student, takes up the majority of the documentary. Coleman's story is a mixture between moments of happiness juxtaposing darker tones. Coleman is a symbol for hope for many others out there as she is faced with hardships, but finds strength



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This Netflix documentary focuses on a scandal happening the Audri Pott and Daisy Coleman. The Coleman story takes place in Maryville. It brings to light the discrimination the two girls face in the aftermath of their assaults.

an overwhelming number of people ready with judgement. Coleman and Pott received tweets, Facebook messages and countless emails from students and adults alike blaming the victims.

The film shows different perspectives throughout its hour and a half runtime. While there are many that support the girls, there is still

Meanwhile, both girls were already dealing with the immediate repercussions of the assault itself. Even some public officials voice their controversial opinions. Feelings of sympathy and pain for char-

acters in a movie, real or fake, is something hard to pull off, and remarkably "Audrie and Daisy" does this with ease.

Many of the examples given portray Maryville specifically in a more negative light. Dozens of harsh tweets and messages hover above Maryville homes and landmarks following the assault.

Along with Nodaway County Sheriff Darren White practically placing blame on the Daisy during his interview saying the need for attention was there. This furthered the stigma already hovering over Maryville.

On the other side of this though, are interspersed comments from Coleman's brother, Charlie Coleman, that seem to support the opposite.

There is undoubtedly large amounts of negativity surrounding any incident like this, but this specific showcase may be pouring on a little more negativity than what is actually present.

These scenarios that Pott and Coleman are victims of can happen at any moment to anyone, and the closing moments of the film illustrate this all too vividly.

If there is a message that "Audrie and Daisy" gets across best, it is that finding hope in maybe even just one person is powerful enough to stop an army of naysayers.

"Audrie and Daisy" premiered at the 2016 Sundance Film Festival and is now streaming on Netflix as an exclusive.

Northwest needs to expand the language department, not limit it

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In this global economy, it only makes sense that people are encouraged to learn a second language. In fact, my high school required students to take two credits of foreign language, though many continued their studies all four years.

However, when I came to Northwest, I was saddened by the rather small selection of foreign languages to take.

Spanish, American Sign Language and Russian, while all fascinating and deeply enriching, only provide a small taste of the hundreds of languages out in the world.

Northwest should expand its

Foreign Language Department to include more languages.

It is also very impractical not to. Northwest prides itself on having its students land jobs nearly six months after graduating.

However, many businesses want, if not require, the ability to speak another language. Roughly 25,000 jobs are expected to open up for interpreters who focus on spoken language and translators who focus on written language, according to CNN.

Many large American companies like their employees to be able to hold a short conversation in another language, such as Mandarin or Japanese, due to expanding industries in both countries and their busi-

ness relations with the USA. Many other countries, such as Switzerland, use German as a business language.

By teaching more languages, Northwest is giving its students an edge in the world. Many companies want variety in the workplace.

CNN reported on the variety of languages that are commonly used within the business world and help make students marketable.

"Which languages offer the highest returns? In government jobs, it's Middle Eastern languages like Arabic, Farsi and Pashto (Afghani). In the private sector, it's Scandinavian and Asian languages that pay.

In contrast, Spanish is the second most common

Language in the United States

after English, and

Because it is so prevalent, it offers the lowest return," (Annalyn Kurtz).

By adding more languages, Northwest can also expand its cultural knowledge. Through languages, we learn more about a specific country's culture. Yet, Northwest is cutting its Russian, French and Deaf Studies programs.

We claim to value diversity, but are taking it away. As a university, we should be expanding our horizons through language, both intellectually and culturally.

Take German for example. When you learn the German language, you learn more about the

German culture, such as why Oktoberfest is so big and about the Brothers Grimm.

So why don't we offer more languages? Why don't we teach Nepali or Korean to help with our relationships with international students? Languages are more than just words. Languages are a way of life. By limiting what languages we offer our students, we are limiting them in so many ways. Foreign languages play a huge role in everything, from science, history, to art and literature.

Overall language is powerful, and if we limit what languages we learn, we only hurt ourselves. Shouldn't we expand our minds and our words?

FEATURED PHOTO



Students and Maryville residents participated in the Fifth Annual Walk for Jen 5K Sept. 24.

THE STROLLER: Your Woman wants you to put in more effort

Unfortunately, I cannot make your decisions for you. I can suggest, advise and guide, but I do not have, nor will I ever have, all of the answers.

There comes a point when you have to decide whether it is worth the heartache, the time, the tears and the work.

And if it is not, then give up. Walk away and pursue what will really make you happy.

But, if it is, then you fight like hell for it.

Relationships and life are not easy. The world does not owe you anything and nothing is going to be handed to you. So if something is important to you, you will put in the

effort and make it a priority.

There are so many excuses to be lazy in your life. You cannot turn down the shift offered because you could use the extra cash even though your friends are all going to a party and your homework is piling up.

I can promise you, as soon as you lose something or someone you care about, those excuses seem so pointless.

Why did we let money run our lives? Why did we forget to find time for ourselves and spend all our time with our friends? Why did our grades seem so crucial to our happiness?

Because once it is gone, none of that stuff matters. What matters is

how empty you are left feeling when it is all over and you know you cannot go back.

Put your whole heart into things. There is no such thing as too much effort. It shows so much more about your character and how much you care when you just try; when you go out of your way to let someone know you love them.

That is why we are here: to love people and get that love in return. All it requires is a little bit of work.

Stay thirsty, Bearcats.

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Freshman brings winning pedigree to Northwest

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No player enters the college level as a complete prospect, but Northwest freshman Izzy Romano is as close as one could get. Before she arrived on Northwest's campus, Romano was an established player at Notre Dame de Sion High School in Kansas City, Missouri.

Her resume includes one class three state championship in 2015, First Team All-State and All-Western Missouri Region honors. Although her individual accolades stand out, Romano realizes they are miniscule in the grand scheme of things.

"I really don't have any individual goals," Romano said. "As a team, I would like to go to the (conference) tournament and maybe get a championship while I'm here."

What makes Romano such a vital part of Northwest this year is her willingness to attack the goal.

She leads the team in points with seven, goals with two, and assists with three. According to head coach Tracy Hoza, Romano excels in a lot of areas that younger players struggle in.

"She's got a great soccer personality," Hoza said. "Her soccer awareness is good and her one-on-one skills are good. And she has a good overall personality; she's a fun kid."

Hoza also expressed that, although Romano is not a finished product, she has been impressed with how she has handled herself this early in the season.

"It's surprising that she is taking players on so well," Hoza said. "She is taking on some of the best players in the conference in one-on-ones and she's doing well. When we recruited her, we knew what we were



Freshman midfielder Izzy Romano (right) attempts to pass the ball up the field while being contested by Central Missouri junior midfielder Taylor Thompson (Left) Sept. 25. Northwest lost the game 5-0.

getting and Izzy is a player that's just going to get better from here."

Even after Northwest fell to a 3-0 deficit before the half in Sunday's contest against second ranked Central Missouri, Romano remained aggressive, attacking the goal by leading the team in shots with three.

Her overall style of play is what has allowed her to contribute at such an early stage in her career.

And while her career is off to a promising start, Romano acknowl-

edged the transition from high school to college was not a stress-free one.

"There's a lot more pressure at this level, but you have to stay positive," Romano said. "In high school, players would feel down after a loss a lot more but the games weren't as intense."

Even before stepping foot on campus, Romano had her mind set on Northwest. Considering the family ties and atmosphere, this was a

perfect opportunity for Romano.

"It was always on my radar," Romano said. "I also like the distance from Kansas City and the sports atmosphere. When I visited, I went to a football game and a basketball game and it was really cool to see the support from the school."

Sure, support from the school is nice, but producing on the field is even better.

No moment exemplified Romano's ability to change the game

more than her two-assist performance during Friday's 2-2 tie at Lindenwood to bring Northwest back into the game.

NEXT GAMES

Northwest @ Southwest Baptist

Sept. 29 @ 4 p.m.

Northwest @ Missouri Southern

Oct. 1 @ 12 p.m.

Season statistics

Points

7

Shots

15

Minutes

472

Assists

3

SOURCE: BEARCATSPORTS.COM

JOSEPH ANDREWS | NW MISSOURIAN

Intercollegiate bowling club becomes reality

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For the first time in its school history, Northwest Missouri State University will sponsor a club bowling team.

The team will consist of Northwest students, and it will compete against other collegiate teams from around the region.

Co-president and co-captain Jake Nelson is eager to start prac-

ticating and competing. Since this is the first season for the team, Nelson wants to keep things simple and get the team used to the competitive bowling atmosphere.

"The goal for this year is just to make a name and to get our club out there," Nelson said. "Just to go there, have fun and be competitive."

The team was formed late in the spring of 2016 and this will be its first season of competition. Despite the recent inception, Northwest will still compete and contend against its

veteran adversaries.

"The team will travel to tournaments, just like club baseball, and play against other colleges like Lindenwood, Wichita State and all the big names too," Nelson said.

Nelson plans to enter Northwest into three tournaments each semester. The standard bowling season is 32 weeks long. It begins in August and ends with the Intercollegiate Team Championships in April.

One of the biggest struggles that Nelson has had so far is finding time for tournaments. With eight people on the roster, there are a lot of scheduling conflicts that arise.

"Tournaments are weekend-long, both Saturday and Sunday, so it makes it a little hard planning around everyone's schedules," Nelson said. "If we can get more in, that would be ideal, but sometimes money and schedules don't mix."

Nelson was shocked with how much interest people showed in joining the team, considering how new it is. Not only have upperclassmen expressed their enthusiasm for having a bowling team, but so have

a large number of freshmen.

"At the organization fair, we met a bunch of interested freshmen who bowled in high school," Nelson said. "To see people who want to stay and continue bowling after high school is awesome."

Sophomore Molly Gardner is excited for the opportunity to bowl again. Gardner, like many of the athletes, bowled in high school but was tentative to join a college team because of the high level of intensity and competition.

"A lot of colleges are very competitive, and you have to have a really high score to even get a tryout," Gardner said. "I wanted to compete more for fun and be more laid back."

Nelson recommends that anyone who is interested in competing and traveling to tournaments join the competitive team. For those who love bowling but do not necessarily want to travel or play competitively, there is also a non competitive team they can join.

"We have a noncompetitive side where if you just want to learn more about the sport and bowl once

a week, you are always more than welcome to come," Nelson said.

The team will be coed, and will compete in two different styles of tournaments. Some tournaments have individual events, like singles and doubles tournaments. Northwest will be attending a tournament in Sioux City, Iowa later this season to compete in an individual style tournament.

The other type of tournament is called baker style. This is when the entire team is bowling towards one score. Each team bowls 10 frames, but the athletes rotate who bowls which frame.

For example, on a team of five, the first person will bowl frames one and six. The second person will follow that and bowl frames two and seven. The fifth person will finish the game by bowling frames five and ten.

The Bearcats' first competition will be a baker style tournament. Northwest will head to Springfield, Missouri Saturday, Oct. 22 and Sunday, Oct. 23 to kick off its inaugural season.

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SHAWNA KINGSTON | NW MISSOURIAN
Sophomore Maddy Bruder digs the ball back to the Missouri Southern side Sept. 24. Bearcats defeated the Lions 3-0 to contiune 14-0 on the season.

The streak continues

Bearcat’s undefeated record of 14-0 to be tested in conference gauntlet

TREY RANDLE
Chief Sports Reporter | @trerock36

After a historic start, Northwest enters its toughest test of the season. With 3-0 victories over inter-conference opponents Southwest Baptist and Truman State, Northwest knows the rest of the field will not go down so easily. Following a 5-0 start and an overall 14-0 record, the 2015 version finished the season 15-14. While that is a successful season compared to years past, Northwest is not satisfied with a record slightly above .500. With more conference opponents looming, Northwest knows it cannot abandon what has worked for it over the first half of the season. “She’s still preaching the same fundamental concepts and we don’t want to change what our gameplan is because we would lose consistency,” sophomore Olivia Nowakowski said. “Our focus is still our five core covenants such as being positive and staying disciplined, fearless and things that contribute to how we



play as a team.” Even with players such as sophomore Maddy Bruder and junior Alexis Williams garnering attention, it is players such as Nowakowski that allow the team to thrive. Their success is due to their willingness to do the dirty work, such as keeping the ball off of the ground and extending possessions. “The hitters get a lot of credit, but the defenders don’t,” head coach Amy Woerth said. But in order to be successful in conference, the Bearcats will need effort from all fronts. So far, Northwest has handled all of the opponents that it should beat. After two strong outings against inter-conference opponents, Woerth knows more challenges lie ahead. “Again, we’re on the road and this time it’s against Pitt,” Woerth said. “They have a new coach and they’ve improved from last year. Another challenge will be Saturday against Central Oklahoma who will be at home, making this a good chance to see what we’re made of and if we can measure up to them.” Ranked 12th in the country,

Central Oklahoma will be the toughest test for Northwest to date. Although Northwest beat a 24 ranked Rockhurst University earlier in the season, Central Oklahoma presents a much different challenge. In the conference, Central Oklahoma ranks second in serving aces, hitting percentage, opponents hitting percentage, assists and digs. This kind of balanced attack is what allowed Central Oklahoma to jump out to a 14-1 record with its sole loss coming to another inter-conference opponent, sixth ranked Central Missouri. Considering the Bearcats went 8-10 in conference play in 2015, Northwest is primed to buck that trend following solid play in all facets of the game in the first half of the season.

NEXT GAMES
Northwest @ Pittsburg St. Sept. 30 @ 6 p.m.
Northwest @ Central Oklahoma Oct. 1 @ 4 p.m.



MULES

NO. 22

3-0

SOURCE: BEARCATSPORTS.COM

MULES
SCORING OFFENSE
NO. 4 PPG 34.3
SCORING DEFENSE
NO. 5 PPG 28.8
TOTAL DEFENSE
NO. 6 YPG 401
RUSHING DEFENSE
NO. 8 YPG 162
PASSING DEFENSE
NO. 3 YPG 239

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SCORING OFFENSE
NO. 1 PPG 44.8
SCORING DEFENSE
NO. 1 PPG 14.0
TOTAL DEFENSE
NO. 1 YPG 208
RUSHING DEFENSE
NO. 1 YPG 68.3
PASSING DEFENSE
NO. 1 YPG 139.8



BEARCATS

NO. 1

4-0

MAKENZIE DOCKERTY | DESIGN EDITOR

TEST CONTINUED FROM A14

Opposing defenses have only sacked Maryville senior quarterback Trey Oglesby once. Opponents have also forced one interception. Offensive adjustments against Smithville defense should keep Oglesby protected. “On the defensive side of the football, they seem very athletic with multiple runners,” Webb said. “They blitz from all over and they run on a lot of line stunts. They are very athletic on defense and very difficult to score points against.” Smithville has allowed 45 points from opponents this season. Maryville averages 54.7 points a game. The Smithville coaching staff is focused on finding a way to catch the Spoofhounds off guard. “(They are) a very talented team in every facet,” Ambrosion said. “(They are) physically prepared and a well-coached team with few weaknesses.” The matchup also marks Maryville’s homecoming game when Maryville is known for honoring its school’s rich tradition under the lights. “It’s homecoming,” Webb said. “One of the things that is nice about homecoming is it is great to talk about tradition. Being an alumni from Maryville myself, it is fun to see people come back for homecoming”

CLASSIC CONTINUED FROM A14

Last week, Central fell to Emporia State 37-31 in a double overtime thriller, the second time in two years the Mules have fallen victim to the Hornets. The Central defense may be ranked in the top five of many MIAA categories, but Northwest Missouri has the Mules beaten in every one of

them. Even with the Bearcats having the advantage in so many statistics, the game is still a showcase to the top two teams in the MIAA. With so many different options for the Bearcats to turn to, it is difficult for opponents to predetermine how the game will open up. “We point blank layout in front of those guys, if you want to touch the ball at Saturday, you better practice well,” Dorrel said. “It’s a great

motivating factor for those guys. It forces them to show up.” In the previous game for Northwest, Missouri Southern jumped out to a 13-0 lead in the first quarter. After Northwest settled down, the game switched hands. The Bearcats ripped the game open in the second quarter with a 28-point outburst on their way to a 45-21 win. “Every team in the MIAA is going to give us their best shot,” senior

quarterback Kyle Zimmerman said. “That’s something we’ve really got to buy into.” An opposing team’s very best effort will always be an issue, but after last week, Dorrel hopes to learn from Missouri Southern and use the adversity as fuel. “Hopefully it’s a wake up call,” Dorrel said. “Teams are going to play better than what they do on film. We have to play better.”

ATHLETES of the WEEK



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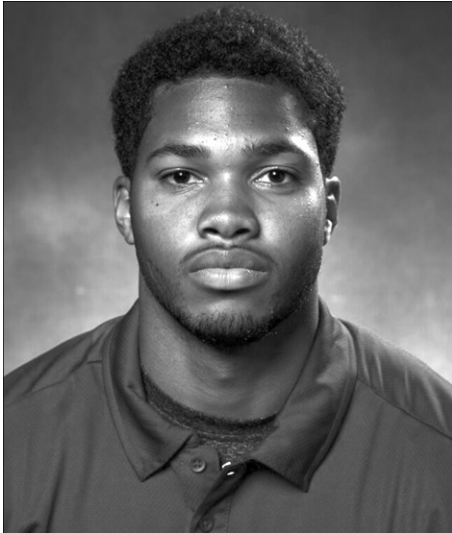


Cameron Wilcox

Izzy Romano

Trey Oglesby

Laurelle Wickersham



The junior wide reciever had 104 yards in recieving with two touchdowns in a 45-21 victory over Missouri Southern Sept. 24.

The freshman midfielder had three shots in a 5-0 loss to Central Missouri Sept. 25. She leads the team with seven goals, 15 shots and three assists through 472 minutes this season.

The senior quarterback threw for 148 yards for four touchdowns on 10 passes in a 48-6 victory over St. Joseph Benton Sept. 23.

The sophomore finished third overall with a score of +23 in the Class 1 District 8 Golf Tournament at Lake Mozingo Sept. 27.



Sophomore Laurelle Wickersham putts in at hole 17. Wickersham finished with a 45/50 with a total of 95 Sept. 26. ISAIAH SWANN | NW MISSOURIAN

Four Spoofhound golfers advance to sectional tournament

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The defending Class 1 District 8 champions Spoofhound girl’s golf team placed third as a team, while four of five girls advance to sectionals Monday at Mozingo golf course.

The Spoofhound girls fell just short of a postseason berth as a team in the sectional round as the girls placed third (432) behind second place Savannah (419) and first place East Atchison (400). The four Spoofhound girls that will be moving on into sectionals are sophomore Laurelle Wickersham (95), freshman Emily Long (104), senior Anna Swink (115) and sophomore Jessica Sheil (118).

“I am excited that at least four get to go; I really wanted to go as a team,” coach Brenda Ricks said. “It was a little bit disappointing, the overall scores were a lot higher than I expected.”

More often than not the strongest golfers have the shortest memories. This theory holds true in Rick’s pregame pep talk.

“Going into Districts, too many girls were thinking about score,” Ricks said. “You have to hit your shot and then leave the last one behind you and just go up and hit your next one.”

This tournament was greatly impacted by rain. The fairways were wet and the rough was soaked, making for a tough time on the course.

“Sometimes my ball would get stuck in wet spots and it would be difficult to try and get them out,” Wickersham said. “Playing the ball down in the rough and it not being in the fairway... and with the flags in a diffi-



cult placement, it forced you to line the ball up more.”

The conditions were rough, but Ricks and her team were facing the same problem they have faced since before the season started.

“The rain has killed us all summer long,” Ricks said. “Even playing in the middle of the Fairview was difficult with all the wet spots.”

Wichersham was the top scorer for Maryville. For most of the Spoofhounds, including the sophomore, the back nine was harder than the front.

“The back nine gave me more trouble,” Wichersham said. “I guess my putting wasn’t the best.”

The struggles would continue on the back set of holes. Finding rough patches throughout the course seemed unavoidable.

“The girls found all the spots to get in trouble,” Ricks said. “There was a ditch on 17 that a lot of girls couldn’t seem to get over.”

With a third place finish, Wichersham turns her focus to being one of the top competitors in next week’s sectional tournament.

“I plan to improve my drives,” Wichersham said. “I was hitting them to the right a little bit. Also I plan to improve my putting.”

Wichersham was not the only member of the Spoofhound golf team that claimed a medal, as Long (104) tied for seventh in the tournament. Long shot a 48 on the front nine and a 56 to complete a good day.

The four Spoofhounds will be looking for success against some of the top Kansas City schools Oct. 3 at Paradise Pointe-Outlaw.

NEXT GAME
Class I Sectionals @ Smithville
Oct. 3 All Day

Tennis aims for strong fall finish at ITA Regional Championships

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Northwest Missouri State Tennis is slated to compete in the biggest tournament of the fall season this weekend.



The Bearcats will travel to Oklahoma City to compete in the Intercollegiate Tennis Association Regional Championships. This meet is crucial to establishing an identity leading into MIAA Conference play this spring.

“Basically, it is the ranking tournament for the fall. It is the biggest tournament,” coach Mark Rosewell said. “The champions qualify for the national tournament. It is very important. It is what we have been working for.”

The men’s team will be led by seniors Aymeric Autones, Romain Boissinot and Fin Glowick, juniors Mauro Tete and Josef Altmann, sophomore Sergi Fontcuberta and freshman Jorge Serrano. The eighth man has not been decided yet.

The men are coming off of the Drury Invitational last week. The team played at the high level Rosewell expected out of it, finishing with one champion.

“It was outstanding,” Roswell

said. “We didn’t keep team competition, but if we did, we would have been second. That’s pretty good competition for us and we favored well.”

Junior Youssef Sherif represented the Bearcats in third singles flight champions, but the match was not contested. Altman and Glowick were 2-1 in the second flight of singles. Autones and Altman were 2-2 in flight one doubles. The men plan to capitalize on the Drury Invitational this weekend.

“I think, for the guys, we have been good,” Autones said. “We have four seniors, so we have a lot of experience. It is our last ITA. We don’t want pressure and we just want to enjoy it.”

Glowick had the best performance for the Bearcats in last year’s ITA, where he reached the round of eight. Boissinot and graduate assistant Alvaro Riveros ended their fall season in the round of 16. Each member of the team wants to prove himself in this meet.

“I cannot say I am going to win the tournament, but to take much by much and do my best in single and doubles,” Autones said. “I do not want to have any regrets at the end of the tournament. I want to do my best.”

The women are represented by

seniors Lorena Rivas Jarolim and Aniek Kolen, along with freshmen Tania Teruel and Irene Nunez in singles. Doubles will be marked by the remaining roster.

The team has not competed in the conference tournament since the Drury University Tournament Sept. 11.

“We practiced both singles and doubles because we have to do a good job there,” Nunez said. “It is my first ITA Tournament, so I want to do my best and prepare for that.”

Rivas Jarolim made it to the round of 16 in last year’s ITA Regional Tournament. She was also paired with sophomore Kaja Emersic in doubles, advancing to the round of eight. Rivas Jarolim will be an example to the freshmen who are competing in this year’s tournament.

“I am so excited to play my first ITA tournament,” Nunez said. “I have goals. I want to win my matches and singles and doubles.”

The Bearcats have requested to avoid challenge matches in practice and focus on drill and doubles in instead. The outcome of the request will be tested on the court Oct 1.

NEXT GAME
ITA Regional Tournament @ Oklahoma City
Oct. 1 All Day



Sophomore Sergi Fontcuberta practices his backhand during practice Sept. 22. Bearcats, including Fontcuberta travel to Oklahoma City this weekend for the ITA championship. BRIA CREEDEN | NW MISSOURIAN

SPONSORED BY NORTHWEST MISSOURI STATE ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT	NW FOOTBALL	NW VOLLEYBALL	NW WOMEN’S SOCCER	MHS FOOTBALL
	MIAA Standings	MIAA Standings	MIAA Standings	MEC STANDINGS
	Overall	Overall MIAA	Overall MIAA	Overall MEC
	*NORTHWEST..... 4-0	Nebraska Kearney..... 17-0 3-0	Central Missouri..... 8-0 1-0	*MARYVILLE..... 6-0 4-0
	Central Missouri..... 3-1	*NORTHWEST..... 14-0 2-0	Northeastern St..... 8-0 1-0	Smithville..... 6-0 4-0
	Emporia St..... 3-1	Central Missouri..... 12-2 2-0	Central Oklahoma..... 5-2-11-0	Chillicothe..... 5-1 3-1
	Fort Hays St..... 3-1	Missouri Western..... 10-4 2-0	Fort Hays St..... 5-2-11-0	St. Joseph Lafayette..... 4-2 2-2
	Pittsburg St..... 3-1	Washburn..... 11-4 2-1	Washburn..... 5-2-11-0	Bishop LeBlond..... 3-3 2-3
	Washburn..... 3-1	Central Oklahoma..... 14-1 1-1	Lindenwood..... 4-2-11-0	St. Joseph Benton..... 2-4 1-3
	Missouri Western..... 2-2	Lindenwood..... 5-7 1-1	Missouri Western..... 5-3 1-0	Savannah..... 1-5 1-3
	Central Oklahoma..... 1-3	Fort Hays St..... 13-2 1-2	Nebraska Kearney..... 3-4-10-1	Cameron..... 0-6 0-4
	Lindenwood..... 1-3	Missouri Southern..... 3-12 0-2	Missouri Southern..... 2-3-10-1	
	Northeastern St..... 1-3	Southwest Baptist..... 3-12 0-2	Emporia St..... 2-4-20-1	
	Missouri Southern..... 0-4	Pittsburg St..... 2-12 0-2	*NORTHWEST..... 2-4-10-1	
	Nebraska Kearney..... 0-4	Emporia St..... 7-8 0-3	Southwest Baptist..... 0-6 0-1	
	Oct. 1	Sept. 30	Sept. 29	Sept. 30
	Central Missouri at NORTHWEST	NORTHWEST at Pittsburg St	NORTHWEST at Southwest Baptist	Smithville at MARYVILLE
	Pittsburg St. at Washburn			Savannah at Chillicothe
	Northeastern St. at Missouri Western			St. Joseph Benton at Bishop LeBlond
	Missouri Southern at Nebraska Kearney	Oct. 1	Oct. 1	St. Joseph Lafayette at Cameron
	Lindenwood at Fort Hays St.	NORTHWEST at Central Oklahoma	NORTHWEST at Missouri Southern	
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Bearcats to host Mules in anticipated return of Fall Classic

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The outcome of the Bearcats' season may be decided in a game played at the home of the Kansas City Chiefs, Arrowhead Stadium.



MIAA powerhouses No. 1 Northwest Missouri (4-0) and No. 22 Central Missouri (3-1) will meet at the Fall Classic, the first time the Bearcats played in Kansas City since 2013.

A game such as this not only impacts players, but also future athletes that are looking to attend Northwest. "If you're fortunate enough to make the playoffs in a year you play at Arrowhead, I really believe it helps you," coach Adam Dorrel said. "It feels like a playoff game. I think of all the things that make it a positive. To me, there are zero negatives; none."

The Bearcats enter Saturday's contest leading the MIAA in scoring offense (44.8 points per game), scoring defense (14 points per game), total defense (208 yards per game), rushing defense (68.3 yards per game) and passing defense (139.8 yards per game).

Northwest is on a 19-game win streak, the third longest in program history. The team it faces has won 11 of its last 15 games. One of those losses was from Northwest last year in a triumphant comeback thriller, 34-30.

"They've got a good football program," Dorrel said. "They've got good players, we've got good players and it just seems to be a good rivalry. Just a very dynamic team from top to bottom with a lot of senior leadership."

This time last week, the Mules were ranked No. 6 in the AFCA poll and a loss to Emporia State(3-1) bumped the Mules down 16 spots. Even with the loss, Dorrel and his team are on high alert with last season's meeting in mind.

"A lot of people picked them to win the league," Dorrel said. "They're loaded from top to bottom: offense, defense, special teams. Guys that have started since they were redshirt freshmen and sophomores."

Last year, the Bearcats erased a 10-point deficit in the fourth quarter, stringing together a memorable comeback that was completed in the final 34 seconds of the game with a touchdown pass.

This season the script has been rewritten.



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Junior safety Edward Richey prepares himself mentally for the upcoming game against Missouri Southern Sept. 24.



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Senior John Zimmerman jumps up to catch a pass from quarterback Trey Oglesby Sept. 23, in a 48-6 victory over Benton.

Hounds prepare for massive test

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Maryville football may experience its toughest game of the season heading into a homecoming matchup of two undefeated teams.



The Smithville Warriors travel to Maryville, marking the second straight matchup where both teams enter undefeated. Smithville has not beaten the Spoofohounds since 2006.

"I see an undefeated team that is playing extremely confident," coach Matt Webb said. "They are playing really athletic at all of their positions. They really do an excellent job on offense on spreading you out

and being able to still be physical and athletic in the run game."

Smithville put up 1,888 yards for 21 touchdowns this season so far. The Warriors have gained 1,186 of these yards on the ground. Webb recognizes the need to stop the Warriors' running game.

"Their running backs run extremely hard," Webb said. "They are hard to bring down. They do a lot of spread formation, which causes a lot of open field tackling that can run you over. It is a good back as far as being very physical."

Maryville has developed around a similar offensive scheme, rushing for 1,571 yards and 28 touchdowns this season behind 14 different athletes. Smithville coach Jason Am-

broson recognizes the similarities between the two teams.

"Both teams have identities and strengths that have gotten them to 6-0," Ambroson said. "We have to continue to improve as a team, and this next challenge is a big one."

Both teams will be forced to develop different schemes in attempt to overcome each other's strengths.

"Each week, we have new schemes we have to play for," Webb said. "Smithville causes different personal sets, different coverages, different ways that they run it and different fronts that they line up in. We will have to prepare for it."

Bearcats near perfection, what could hold them back

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A Bearcat squad that seems to have more talent than last year's National Champions, could be crippled by plays that transpire before the ball is even snapped.

The Northwest Missouri State football team has started the year exactly as expected. Smoldering team after team while putting up explosive numbers on offense (44.8 points per game) and devastating statistics on defense (14 points per game).

With so many sparking numbers on the post-game box score, it's hard to find much fault with coach Adam Dorrel and his team.

Though they may be near flawless, there are still areas where the team needs work.

Two things Dorrel has mentioned game after game are penalties and slow starts. The coach has addressed these issues to the players but to no avail.

The Bearcats are 5th worst in penalties in the MIAA. Dorrel constantly preaches to the team about these instances and the miscues continue to get worse. Racking up 28 penalties for 227 yards through four games averages out to 56.8 yards per game.

Pre-snap penalties have been a repeated occurrence over and over again. This has been a problem since day one and Dorrel continues to bring it to the forefront of the team's minds.

"They are unacceptable with what we are trying to do," Dorrel said. "It's just something you got to learn from."

First quarters have been somewhat of painful series to watch, excluding Washburn(17-0). Through the other three games, the Bearcats have been outscored 27-13 in the first.

What's strange about this abnormality is the lack of action to do anything about it. Thoughts that constantly circulate through the minds of anyone who has witnessed the Bearcats play this season is how these sub-par first quarters transpire. This, followed by an explosion of points and lockdown defense, can not be explained.

I have asked this question numerous time to players on both on offense and defense. The responses almost every time are similar: it was a mental lapse and how the team will go back and work it out.

Shoved aside like last week's leftovers, these two problems just don't seem to affect these players. Though I have hammered away at these issues, the Bearcats are still 4-0, the No. 1 team in the AFCA poll and possess the most dominant defense in the country.

This team reminds me a lot of last years championship squad. No team is perfect just like no human is. Slow beginnings and multiple penalties have been problematic but with how vocal Dorrel has made these concerns, I have no doubt they will be fixed in no time.